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## WhyLeaveNow

For a man who came into his post reluctantly and as a purported short-timer, Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates is turning into more and more of a fixture at the Pentagon.



## Judge rejects Citigroup's \$75 million settlement with SEC

A federal judge on Monday refused to accept a \$75 million settlement between the Securities and Exchange Commission and Citigroup, the second time in a year that the agency's attempt to sanction a major bank was foiled by a judge.



## PM of Australia wants a Republic after the

Julia Gillard wants Australia to become a re-

Julia Gillard wants Australia to become a republic when the Queen dies and plans to lead a national debate on the form the republic would take.

Her comments put her absolutely at odds with Tony Abbott, who was at the centre of the anti-republican cause in the 1999 referendum, which rejected the notion of change.

## FOR ANDROID NEWBIES: 5 QUESTIONS, ANSWERED

Sure, you've heard of Android — as in Android phones, which are multiplying like rabbits and taking the smartphone world by storm, giving even the mighty iPhone a run for its money. But are you still a little shaky on the Android basics? Do you turn into a wallflower when the subject comes up during cocktail parties? Read on.



**1 What is Android, anyway?** At the most basic level, Android is an operating system for touchscreen smartphones — it's the software engine that drives all the menus, windows, home screens and internal operations of any Android-powered smartphone, the same way that iOS powers the iPhone and the BlackBerry OS runs BlackBerry handsets.



Android is also far more open when it comes to applications. Whereas Apple takes a "walled garden" approach to its App Store, Google won't restrict you from installing apps that aren't featured in its official Android Marketplace. iPhone users, on the other hand, must "jailbreak" their phones if they want to install apps that weren't approved by Apple for inclusion in the App Store.

**Got more Android questions? Email us; We are happy to help.**

## Justin Bieber gets a water bottle thrown at his head while on stage



For video visit:  
youtube.com  
and search for  
"Justin Bieber  
Gets Nailed By  
a Water Bottle"

## Gulf oil traces spread east on sea floor, researchers say

Oil from the Deepwater Horizon spill may have settled to the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico further east than previously suspected and at levels toxic to marine life, researchers reported Monday.

Initial findings from a new survey of the Gulf conclude that dispersants may have sent the oil to the ocean floor, where it has turned up at the bottom of an undersea canyon within 40 miles of the Florida Panhandle. Plankton and other organisms showed a "strong toxic response" to the crude, according to researchers from the University of South Florida.

"The dispersant is moving the oil down out of the surface and into the deeper waters, where it can affect phytoplankton and other marine life," said John Paul, a marine microbiologist at USE.

## Random facts that could effect your life

**1/12**

The average worker bee produces 1/12th teaspoon of honey in it's life time.



**2,200**

In Oregon, there is an enormous mushroom that covers over 2,200 acres and is at least 2,400 years old, possibly older. It is the largest living organism in the World.

**80,000,000**

An estimated 80,000,000 Hershey's Kisses are wrapped each day, using enough aluminum foil to cover over 50 acres of space. That's almost 40 football fields! This aluminum is recyclable.



**3000**

It takes 3,000 cows to supply the NFL with enough leather for a year's supply of footballs. Wow!

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A robotic arm (L) is visible at work next to BP's new cap on the blown-out well in this image captured from a BP live video feed



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Editorials

About The Citizens Messenger

By Maria Deamer

Hello residents of Cantonment and surrounding areas. This is your new local community newspaper that will be distributed every other week to your home. I am Maria Deamer, Publisher and Editor and my husband, Alan Deamer is the President. Between us we decided to start a publishing company, Jewell Publications, Inc. in order to begin serving our community with it's own free newspaper, The Citizens Messenger. We have 4 children and are local residents. So like all of you reading this, we are a regular family raising our kids with a need to know what's going on in our community.

After speaking with several residents and friends in the community it became clear that a local publication dedicated to the families of Cantonment and surrounding areas was needed. Until now there has not been a community newspaper in our area. Now you may be thinking to yourself, what type of experience do they have to take something like this on? Well, I have 13 years of experience in the newspaper industry, ink is in my blood. Alan is a happy go lucky guy with a great sense of English humor. He is the most down to earth person you will ever meet. He is a jack of all trades and has experience in all types of work including management, sales, construction, etc. Alan was born in London, UK and moved to Pensacola 10 years ago and after one visit fell in love with the place. I am originally from Louisville, KY and moved here 7 years ago. As I mentioned above we have four children; ages 10, 7, and 2 year old twins.

Our mission is to provide informative local and entertaining news. You will find The Citizens Messenger to be a feel good paper, report-

ing positive news, which is what we all want to read about these days. Something different from the media that



Maria and Alan Deamer found time out of a busy schedule

we all hear about everyday. As you will see in the following pages we will be focusing on local news, education, parents, kids, and much more. Our content is a combination of information from community submissions, news feeds, contributing writers and stories of interest. We so pleased to have James Bennett, my grandfather's best friend and his daughter Peppy

Bennett, Dr. Sharon Foster, my mom as contributing writers. They will be featured in every edition.

In addition to the print edition you can also visit us on www.citizensmessenger.com. We owe many thanks to Chris Stone, for the



development of our website and the design and layout of the print edition. The website is interactive with forums and many other features. A fun site for all. It is designed for you to interact

and get to know your friends in your community through Twitter, Facebook and YouTube. We invite you to submit stories, photos, opinions, articles or any other information that you would like for us to publish. Submissions can be sent to

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News Release

ESCAMBIA COUNTY GRANTS TRANSFER OF INCENTIVES Overhead Door Acquisition Provides Stability to Local Plant

Pensacola, Fl. – The Escambia County Board of County Commissioners announced earlier this month the Wayne-Dalton manufacturing facility, a long-established employer of many Escambia County residents, would continue to receive economic development tax incentives.

were acquired by Overhead Door Corporation in December 2009.

“The acquisition presented a unique situation to partner with Overhead Door Corporation to ensure the continuation of an existing program, and more importantly for the people of Escambia County to create future job growth in our county,” said Grover Robinson, chairman of the Escambia County Board of Commissioners.

ty's benefits for continued investment in their Pensacola plant,” added Charles Wood, senior vice president of economic development, with the Pensacola Bay Area Chamber of Commerce. “Wayne-Dalton has been a long-standing member of our community, and we are pleased Overhead Door has decided to continue in that legacy. The commissioners affirmed our commitment that Escambia County has the right combination of a capable workforce and economic



The company has invested more than \$40 million at their Ellyson Industrial Park facility in the past five years. Because of the county's continued support, company officials expect to continue operation in Escambia County and hope to increase employment by more than 100 new positions over the next few years. They employ 76 currently.

The announcement follows a decision of the board to grant Overhead Door Corporation a transfer of an ad valorem tax abatement that was previously granted to Wayne-Dalton. Wayne Dalton's door business assets

“We're pleased the county commissioners reviewed our proposal positively,” said James Fanning, vice president of business development for Overhead Door Corporation. “Given some modest economic uptick in demand, as well as expanded distribution opportunities brought about by the acquisition, we are confident the products made in Pensacola will see increased volumes reflected in our staffing projections here.”

development tools that is attractive to manufacturers such as Overhead Door Corporation.”



Overhead Door Corp. pioneered the upward-acting door industry

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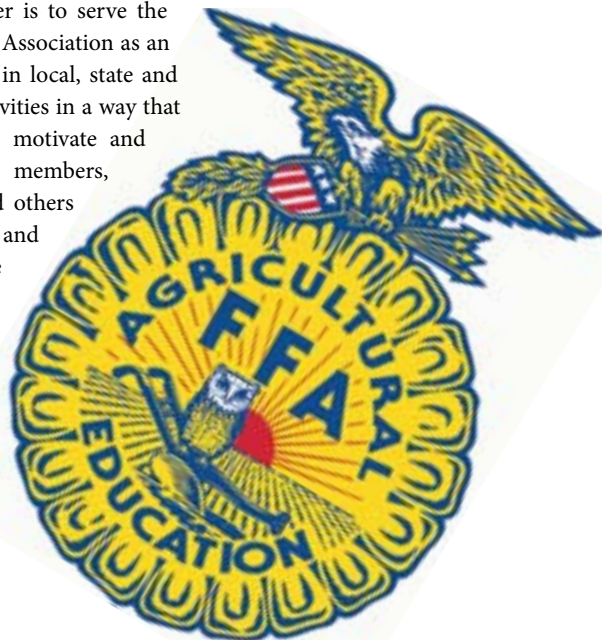
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News Release

2010-2011 Florida FFA State Officers Elected

The 2010-2011 Florida FFA (Future Farmers of America) State Officer Team was recently elected during the 82nd Annual Florida FFA State Convention, which was held in Orlando. Lynsey Meharg, Tate High School, was elected Area I Vice President. A total of only eight officers were elected by their peers who served as official delegates in the convention.

The primary responsibility of a state officer is to serve the Florida FFA Association as an ambassador in local, state and national activities in a way that will inform, motivate and inspire FFA members, advisors and others to embrace and uphold the FFA mission.





**Factoid:** Cantonment means a temporary or semi-permanent military quarters. Named so because in 1814 Andrew Jackson camped his troops in the area.

# GROWTH IN CANTONMENT COMING OUR WAY

By Maria Deamer

Charles Wood, Senior Vice President of Economic Development at the Pensacola Chamber of Commerce said, “Growth is coming that way.” He indicated that there are two areas in Escambia County for growth opportunity; Perdido Key area and the other is right on our door step...North of Nine Mile Rd up highway 29 and West Nine Mile Rd. The big job creator to come, is from the fourth building of Navy Federal, which is under construction and will house anywhere from 800 to 1,000 employees. Mr. Wood mentioned that the Chamber is working on a project which could end up coming to the Molino area. We will hear more on that as it develops. He also

commented that the Central Commerce Park is another opportunity for our area with over 200 acres that has not been built out yet.

Mr. Wood is a graduate from Texas A&M University. He has been here in Pensacola for four years with his wife and he said “We love it here, it’s home”. He has worked in the economic development industry for the last thirteen years and is very passionate and dedicated to his job and thrives on economic development.

Mr. Wood has had many highlights in his career, but the one that stands out is when a jeans factory in Mobile closed down. He worked with another company in the area and was able to place almost all the employees into jobs with this other company. He said, “when you see someone that is going to lose their job and you can help, that is a great feeling”.

“From the Chamber side our goal is, while we work with all businesses and particularly our members, from the economic development side of things, what we want are companies that bring new money in from outside”, Mr. Wood said. This new money brings salaries, capital investment and tax dollars which creates



Charles Wood, Senior Vice President of Economic Development at the Pensacola Chamber of Commerce

an economical spin. Mr. Wood further said, “We want new revenue stream coming into Escambia County from small to large”.

He indicated that employment growth is coming from the small and 2nd stage companies. “They are the ones that are growing fast and they are finding a niche market and it allows them to grow fast”, said Mr. Wood. The example he provided was H2 Performance Consulting company which provides management and technology consulting services to government and commercial clients.



This Inc. 500 company, with only about about 20 employees grew 1913% over the last 3 years. The state has built a program around the 2nd Stage companies which currently makes up only “7% of all businesses but represents 40% of all job creations”. The program GrowFL which the chamber is a part of, helps people understand what a 2nd stage company is and how the chamber can work with them to grow through technical assistance. Mr. Wood said, “The Chamber is working at the state level to work with them on that and we should see significant results from that”.

Back in the 50’s, 60’s and 70’s Escambia County was about chemicals, wind products and tourism. Old line industries, like International Paper Company had to get more productive. The employment count has significantly dropped over the last several years. “The company has made big investments in their plant, they have invested more than \$250,000,000 in

the last 5 years”, Mr. Wood said and also commenting that the International Paper Mill in Cantonment is the “most sophisticated paper mill on the planet”. Mr. Wood ended by saying, “The trick for Pensacola and for the region is to position ourselves for high growth industry sectors, not necessarily high tech but it means that they have to be in a market area that has significant growth in the next several years. We need to be involved in these sectors; Technology, Renewable Energy and Financial Services. Twenty years from now these sectors will continue to be growing and that is where we will need to focus. Most job growth will come from these sectors”. As residents living in this growth area and going through the difficult economic challenges at the moment, it is uplifting to hear news of what is to come for our families in the future.

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## Presidential Honor

A wonderful opportunity that has been given to four graduates of Escambia County School Fine Arts Program. All four girls attend the University of Mobile, and were selected by audition to participate in a woodwind quartet, named CrossWinds, that travels across the nation, performing and recruiting for the University. On October 7, 2010, the University of Mobile is bringing George W. Bush, former President of the United States, to the Mobile Convention Center for a Leadership Banquet. CrossWinds directed by Wes Dykes, a former Tate graduate,



has been selected to play at this banquet. What an honor for these four girls, who are Escambia County Schools graduates, to play for the former President of the United States! The four members of CrossWinds are: Nicole Samuels - Bass Clarinet (Escambia HS c/o 2010), Stephanie Bruce - Oboe (Tate HS c/o 2009), Caitlin Perkins - Clarinet (Tate HS c/o 2010) and Leslie Ann Godwin - Flute (Tate HS c/o 2010).

## Road Closures

10 Mile and Chemstrand Road  
Intersection improvements have begun. The process is expected to last until January.

Nine Mile Road Public Meeting  
On Sept. 30, there will be a public meeting to discuss the widening of Nine Mile Road between Pine Forest Road and Highway 29 at Plainview Baptist Church, 1101 W. Nine Mile Road beginning at 5:30 p.m.

## Movies Coming Soon

The below movies were researched on the website imdb.com and release information could change at any time.

Movie Title	Release Date
Wall Street: Money Never...	September 24
You Again	September 24
Legend of the Guardians:...	September 24
Buried	September 24
Waiting for 'Superman'	September 24
Enter the Void	September 24
You will meet a Tall Dark Str...	September 24
The Social Network	October 1
Let Me In	October 1
Case 39	October 1
Hatchet II	October 1

## Movie Box-Office Sept 17

The below stats were compiled from the website imdb.com and are for the weekend starting 17 Sept., 2010.

	Title	Weekend	Gross
1.	The Other Guys	\$35.5M	\$35.5M
2.	Inception	\$18.5M	\$228M
3.	Step UP 3D	\$15.8M	\$15.8M
4.	Salt	\$10.9M	\$91.8M
5.	Dinner for Schm...	\$10.4M	\$46.6M
6.	Despicable Me	\$9.28M	\$209M
7.	Cats & Dogs: Th...	\$6.9M	\$26.4M
8.	Charlie St. Cloud	\$4.7M	\$23.5M
9.	Toy Story 3	\$3.12M	\$396M
10.	The Kids Are All...	\$2.6M	\$14M

## Movie Box-Office Sept 10

The below stats were compiled from the website imdb.com and are for the weekend starting 10 Sept., 2010.

	Title	Weekend	Gross
1.	Resident Evil: Af...	\$26.7M	\$26.7M
2.	Takers	\$5.68M	\$47.7M
3.	The American	\$5.67M	\$28.1M
4.	Machete	\$4.29M	\$20.9M
5.	Going the Distance	\$3.79M	\$14.0M
6.	The Other Guys	\$3.35M	\$112M
7.	The Last Exorcism	\$3.32M	\$38.1M
8.	The Expendables	\$3.22M	\$98.5M
9.	Eat Pray Love	\$2.93M	\$74.7M
10.	Inception	\$2.80M	\$282M



*Quote:* “I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them.” - *Phyllis Diller*

# ADVOCATE FOR YOUR "FOSTER" CHILD

By S. Peppy Bennett

Advocating at Home, part I

Having children in the home can sometimes turn into a complete invasion of space especially when you don't live in a mansion and if you are a parent it can become a bit overwhelming. Children, defined as anyone under the age of 18, can literally be all over the house. Below are a few suggestions to help advocate for your child in everyday living.

One easy first step is to identify which area your child needs more focus in. Ask them which subjects are most difficult in school? If you know which subjects your child may need a little extra attention or help with then you have already won half the battle. Creating a continued learning environment, is to focus on the progress your child is making. Even if the steps seem a small progression especially with foster children, it is key and your child will feel a definite sense of achievement. Be alert and watch your word choices. The old adage of sticks and stones may not fit well here remember words

can be very powerful. Saying things such as: "you always have trouble with Math", might create a negative emotion around the subject or the situation. Instead talk up your child's strengths. Give verbal encouragement such as, " you really seem to grasp the concept of least common denominator" and encourage your child to use Math at times when he/she is having fun. The entire family can get in on this too, by cooking with a recipe, building a homemade kite or bookshelf, is a fun way to work math into a family project.

Homework can be an uphill climb when it's past their bedtime or your child doesn't understand the assignment. Emotions such as frustration and unpleasant responses usually are to follow once physical exhaustion as begun. The main thing to remember is to be patient and above all do not do the work for them. Instead you can be a homework consultant by checking their work and teaching your child time management skills. Work with your child

to create a homework schedule and be sure the schedule is maintained and monitored offering your child a sense of responsibility and a system of checks and balances.

The homework or study area is important as well, be sure to have a physical space in your home that is for studying or reading. This area should be well lit and have comfortable seating. If you live in a small home then compromise and use the kitchen (usually the best seating and lighting for studying). If you choose a common area like the kitchen stay true to your settlement and create an environment that will stimulate learning and concentration. Turn off the television, radio and be sure there are no distractions. The time of day you choose is important as well and it must remain consistent, this will help your child keep his/her schedule and they will look forward to working within the time selected. Be mindful of picking the study time and allow resting time between school dismissal and study time.

Here's the cool thing about an inquisitive child. When your child asks questions it is out of curiosity and keep in mind they are using thinking skills. Therefore, before you sigh and give them a one word answer celebrate their inquisitive nature by responding with an open ended question. Use every day moments to create learning scenarios.

Creative learning integrated of daily life aids in the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills. If English is the first language in your home and your child is learning Spanish turn the television to a Spanish program and ask your Spanish student to translate the commercials for you. This can be a fun task and they might actually learn about diversity in culture.

[Cited: Foster Children and Education: How You Can Create a Positive Educational Experience for the Foster Child; Vera Organization, Organization of Great Schools, National Center for Learning Disabilities, Your Child's Unique Temperament: Insights and Strategies for Responsive Parenting; Graham McClowry, Different Children, Different Needs: Understanding the Unique Personality of Your Child; Boyd & Rohm]



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# Keeping Children Connected With Distant Relatives

By Maria Deamer

Six Useful Ways to Keep Your Children Connected With Family and Friends so that your children has contact and it's not like meeting a stranger for the first time.

Living here in Pensacola with our four children we have no relatives close by so we rely on other ways to stay connected to them beside having them over for gatherings. My husband's family lives in England and mine live in Kentucky and Arizona. So we use these useful tools to stay connected.

 Skype - If you haven't tried this you really need too! Skype is

fun and most of all it is FREE. If you have a computer with a webcam you are set to go. Set up an account on Skype and have your family do the same. Then just add their name to your buddy list and then press calling with video. They will then get an incoming call and once they select answer with video you are face to face with



your friends and or family, just like you are in the same room with them. This allows you and your friends to be together anytime even though there are miles between you.

Facebook - This is a social network that will connect you to your family along with friends that may be you speak to often or those that you haven't spoken to for years, maybe even since kindergarten. This is also a free service and loads of FUN. Just set up a profile with your email address and start reconnecting. On Facebook it is easy to load and share photos. You can also tag photos that have family members and or friends in them and it will go straight to their home page.

Email - If you have internet access you can set up an e-mail address account. On of the most popular is gmail which is hosted by google.



This again is free. Once you set up your account you can start typing away to your friends and family. You can also send photos in an attachment, the only down fall is that your pictures can't be too large otherwise the email will not go through.

Snail Mail - Needs no explanation, it is what it is. But still is the oldest form of sending messages and gifts. Face it, we all LOVE going to the mailbox and finding a personal letter addressed to you from a loved one. Have your children draw a picture and send it with a photo to grandma and grandpa. You will bring the biggest smile to their face when they receive your letter.

Cell phone - Cell phones today can do so many things, in fact they come out with a new feature every



month. Just when you think you have the latest version they come out with a version that is slightly better. With that said no matter what version or service provider you have you can always stay connected by just dialing some numbers. My twin boys who turned 2 in May just started saying "MeMe". So the first thing I did was called mom to let her hear it. I could hear her getting choked up.

Photo Albums - Take an evening and go through your photo albums with your children. Show them what you looked like at their age. They will be amazed that you were young once and find it humorous to see their aunts, uncles, cousins looking so different as well. My daughter said that she liked looking through the pictures of me when I was little and said the following, " You look pretty in those pictures and you still look like you did in high school." Well let me just say that was quite the compliment and ego booster.



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Fall Basketball for boys and girls between the ages of 4-14 runs from October 2nd-November 20th.

Registrations are available online at [www.i9sports.com](http://www.i9sports.com) or at the Vickrey Center.

Registration deadline was on September 19th, but if the parent mentions seeing this article in the Citizens Messenger we will honor the \$20 "before deadline" registration fee.



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Police	911
Ambulance	911
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Railroad Emergencies	800-232-0144
ESP Gas Emergencies	850-474-5300
Toxic Chemical and Oil Spills	800-424-8802 (Voice/TTY)
Norfolk Southern Railroad Police	800-453-2530
Pensacola City Police	850-435-1900
Navy Police	850-452-3753
Escambia County Sheriff	850-436-9630
U.S. Coast Guard	904-428-9084
Pensacola Coast Guard	850-453-8282
Coast Guard Search & Rescue	850-453-8178
Baptist Medical Park	850-208-6000
Baptist Hospital (Pensacola)	850-434-4011
Baptist Hospital (Gulf Breeze)	850-934-2000
Sacred Heart Health System	850-416-1600
West Florida Healthcare	850-494-4000
Santa Rosa Medial Center,	850-626-7762
Navy Hospital	850-505-6601



Tips and Tricks - Lawn Care

By Alan Deamer

Before you do anything else, such as mowing, clean the lawn. Rake up leaves and debris and clear unwanted brush. If you want a level lawn, get rid of bumps or dips: To get rid of little dips, fill the holes with topsoil and then add grass seed.

To remove bumps, use a garden spade to cut an X in the raised area. Peel back the sod and then remove soil as needed before folding the sod back.

By cleaning and levelling your yard, you will make the lawn easier to mow, and your yard will have a more contoured look to it.

**Mowing** - Mow the grass regularly. Depending on where you live, and how fast your grass grows, mow once every week or two. Adjust the lawn mower blade so that it does not cut off more than one third of the grass's height. The surface area of each blade of grass is important in sustaining the health of the lawn. Cutting the grass too short creates an open window for disease to take place.

**Aeration** Another essential lawn tip is to make sure that your soil is not too compact. Over time, soil becomes compact and hard beneath the grass, which causes such problems as reduced moisture penetration and restricted grass root growth.

**Fertilizing** - Fertilizer can help your lawn grow. While you can grow a healthy and attractive lawn without fertilizers, many people find them helpful. However, avoid using too much fertiliz-

er, which can kill your lawn and harm the environment as the excess fertilizer is washed away.

**Top Dressing** - If you want to avoid using stand-ard fertilizers for top dressing, .Top dressing is composte organic matter mixed half and half with sand. You spread a thin layer over the lawn to improve the lawn rooting, creating healthier, hardier grass, without fertilizer.

**Overseeding** - To prevent weeds and avoid the use of herbicides, you can use the organic lawn practice of overseeding. Overseeding helps crowd out weeds and creates a thick, lush lawn. First, rake or aerate to expose soil. Then spread about one-and-a-half times more than the recommended amount of grass seed

Please Share Your Best Tips?

Do you have any great tips on this subject that you would share with us?, we would love to hear from you & share your advice with our future readers. Please send to Citizens Messenger PO Box 809 Cantonment, FL 32533 or email us at citizensmessenger@gmail.com, and please include your name and contact number.

Money Savers

1. Turn off the television. There are a lot of financial benefits to turning off the TV: less exposure to guilt-inducing ads, more time to focus on other things in life, less electrical use, and so on. It's great to unwind in the evening, but seek another hobby to do that.
2. Turn a critical eye to your "collections." Most people collect something – what do you collect? Is it something that consistently brings you joy? Or is it something that you just do out of habit at this point? Does the collection itself have value? Could you perhaps "trim the fat" from this collection by getting rid of duplicates or getting

- rid of the items you no longer use? Also, could you perhaps cut down on your spending on that hobby? Focus on trimming the things you don't feel strongly about.
3. Sign up for every free customer rewards program you can. Even if you rarely shop there, having a rewards card for that place will eventually net you some coupons and discounts. Here's the basic game plan for maximizing these programs: create a Gmail address just for these mailings, collect every card you can, and then check that account for extra coupons whenever you're ready to shop.

Annoucements

STATISTIC: There has been 733,650 days in the last 2010 years. That is 63,387,360,000 seconds.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23TH**  
SEVILLE SQUARE, BARTRAM PARK  
"2010 Pensacola Seafood Festival – VENDOR SET-UP"  
Time: All Day  
Contact: Andrea Tippett - 433-6512 ext. 17 Fiesta of Five Flags

STREET CLOSURE – INTENDENCIA between JEFFERSON & PALAFOX – PRODUCTION STAGING - SAENGER THEATRE  
"Legally Blonde"  
Time: 5:00 AM to 11:00 PM – Street Closure  
7:30 PM to 10:30 PM (Performance)  
Contact: Saenger Theatre – 595-3880

PLAZA DE LUNA  
"Sunset in Plaza de Luna" Every Thursday Evening from  
(4-1-2010 to 09-30-2010)  
Time: 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM  
Contact: Kim Carmody - 436-5190 Parks & Recreation/CRA

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH**  
SEVILLE SQUARE, FOUNTAIN PARK & BARTRAM PARK w/ STREET CLOSURES  
"33rd Annual Pensacola Seafood Festival 2010"  
Time: All Day  
(9-24-2010 to 9-26-2010)  
Time: All Day  
Friday: 12:00 Noon to 11:00 PM  
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM  
Sunday: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Contact: Andrea Tippett - 433-6512 ext. 17 Fiesta of Five Flags

SANDERS BEACH-CORINNE JONES COMMUNITY CENTER  
"20th Anniversary - Pensacola Senior Games 2010 – Closing Ceremonies"  
Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Contact: Bill Kimball, Cheryl Fox – 912-4056

VINYL MUSIC HALL  
"Devon Allman's Honeytribe"  
Time: 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
Contact: 1-877-435-9849

PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Elvis – All Shook Up"  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre – 432-2042

"21st Annual – Pensacola Seafood Festival Pensacola Runners Association 5K Run" GOVERNMENT between JEFFERSON & TARRAGONA  
Set-Up/Break-Down: 6:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Time: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM  
Contact: Richard Peterson – Pensacola Runners Assoc. – 969-9924

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH**  
BAYVIEW COMMUNITY CENTER AND PARK  
"BRACE Youth Emergency Preparedness (YEP) Event – 1st Youth Preparedness Expo – Kids Save Lives Too"  
SET-up/Break-down Time: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM  
Event: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Contact: Stephanie Planchich – 444-7038 United Way

MLK PLAZA PARK "Palafox Market 2010"  
Every Saturday of the Month (May 1st through October 30th, 2010)  
Time: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Set-up & Break-down: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Contact: Hilary Gilles – 434-5374

SEVILLE SQUARE, FOUNTAIN PARK & BARTRAM PARK w/ STREET CLOSURES  
"33rd Annual Pensacola Seafood Festival 2010"  
(9-24-2010 to 9-26-2010)  
Friday: 12:00 Noon to 11:00 PM  
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM  
Sunday: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Contact: Andrea Tippett - 433-6512 ext. 17 Fiesta of Five Flags

CITY HALL LAWN  
"Buckets of Love" – Feeding the homeless – 1st United Methodist Church of Pace – Every Saturday (8-10-10 through 10-10-10)  
Time: 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM  
Contact: Jenny Hurd – 994-5608, 723-7570

GONZALES COURT  
"Pathfinder's Club – Outreach Program Walking Parade"  
Time: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
Contact: Jean Dukes – 484-6005

VINYL MUSIC HALL  
"Rock for the Coast 2010" – Fundraiser for Emerald Coast Keepers  
Time: 12:30 PM to 12:00 AM (Midnight)  
Contact: 1-877-435-9849

ALABAMA SQUARE  
"Cinema on the Green" presented by North Hill Preservation Assoc.  
Time: 5:30 PM to 11:00 PM  
Contact: Bob Prime – 255-5936

PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Elvis – All Shook Up"  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre – 432-2042

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH**  
SEVILLE SQUARE, FOUNTAIN PARK & BARTRAM PARK w/ STREET CLOSURES  
"33rd Annual Pensacola Seafood Festival 2010"  
(9-24-2010 to 9-26-2010)  
Time: All Day  
Friday: 12:00 Noon to 11:00 PM  
Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM  
Sunday: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Contact: Andrea Tippett - 433-6512 ext. 17 Fiesta of Five Flags

CORINNE JONES PARK  
"Believers in Action – Homeless Ministry"  
Every Sunday (9-12-10 through 11-12-10)  
Time: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM  
Contact: Nicole Edwards – 466-3939 or (843) 263-6288

PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Elvis – All Shook Up"  
Time: 2:30 PM  
Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre – 432-2042

TENTATIVE – Rain date only  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH – ALABAMA SQUARE-RAIN DATE ONLY**  
"Cinema on the Green" presented by North Hill Preservation Assoc.  
Time: 5:30 PM to 11:00 PM  
Contact: Bob Prime – 255-5936

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd**  
Pensacola Beach Songwriters Fest

www.pensacolabeachsongwritersfestival.com

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH**  
SEVILLE SQUARE, BARTRAM PARK  
"2010 Pensacola Seafood Festival – VENDOR BREAK-DOWN"  
Time: All Day  
Contact: Andrea Tippett - 433-6512 ext. 17 Fiesta of Five Flags

LEGION FIELD PARK  
"Exclusive Use of Legion Field for Southern Youth Sports Association" Every Monday through Saturday from (8-30-2010 to 12-31-2010)  
Time: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM – Monday through Friday  
Dusk to Dawn (Approx. 6:00 PM to

6:00 AM) Saturday  
Contact: Lumon May – 723-9087

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH**  
STREET CLOSURE – INTENDENCIA from JEFFERSON & PALAFOX – CONCERT STAGING - SAENGER THEATRE  
"Neil Young – Solo Gulf Coast Tour"  
Time: 5:00 AM to 12:00 AM (Midnight) – Street Closure  
8:00 PM to 10:30 PM (Performance)  
Contact: Saenger Theatre – 595-3880

Pensacola Beach at the Gulfside Pavillion  
Bands on the beach featuring Wildwood  
Time: 7-9 PM

SAENGER THEATRE  
"Neil Young Solo Gulf Coast Tour"  
Time: 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM  
Contact: Saenger Theatre – 595-3880

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH**  
VINYL MUSIC HALL  
"The Red Jumpsuit Apparatus, The Sleeping, My Farewell (reunion)"  
Time: 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM  
Contact: 1-877-435-9849

Old Brown-Barge School  
151 East Fairfield Drive  
Surplus Auction - Items including televisions, audio visual equipment, food service wares and small wares, shop, tools and more  
Time: 9:00 AM (Public may view the merchandise from 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.)  
Contact: Richard Gibbs Auction and Equipment Company at 850-944-4374

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH**  
PLAZA DE LUNA  
"Sunset in Plaza de Luna" Every Thursday Evening from  
(4-1-2010 to 9-30-2010)  
Time: 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM  
Contact: Kim Carmody - 436-5190 Parks & Recreation/CRA

PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Veronica's Room"  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre 432-2042

**FRIDAY OCTOBER 1ST thru SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD**  
"Bay Fest" – Mobile, Alabama

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST**  
PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Veronica's Room"  
Time: 7:30 PM

Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre 432-2042

Jim Allen Elementary School  
Fall Carnival  
Time: 3:00 - 6:00 PM

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD-** Pensacola Beach  
Art & Wine Weekend

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND**  
MLK PLAZA PARK "Palafox Market 2010"  
Every Saturday of the Month (May 1st through October 30th, 2010)  
Set-up & Break-down: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Time: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Contact: Hilary Gilles – 434-5374

SEVILLE SQUARE & FOUNTAIN PARK  
"Barktoberfest 2010"  
Time: 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Contact: Liz Ohlhorst – 432-4250

CITY HALL LAWN  
"Buckets of Love" – Feeding the homeless – 1st United Methodist Church of Pace – Every Saturday (8-10-10 through 10-10-10)  
Time: 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM  
Contact: Jenny Hurd – 994-5608, 723-7570

**TENTATIVE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND**  
STREET CLOSURE – 9th AVE & HEINBURG  
"Skate Fest"  
Time: 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM  
Contact: Sean Fell, Water Boyz – 206-6386 or 433-2965

SAENGER THEATRE  
"Opening Night – Brahms Double – Pensacola Symphony"  
Time: 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
Contact: 595-3880

PENSACOLA LITTLE THEATRE  
"Veronica's Room"  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Contact: Pensacola Little Theatre 432-2042

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD**  
VINYL MUSIC HALL  
"The Electric Six, The Constellations, Cockfight"  
Time: 6:00 PM to 11:00 PM  
Contact: 1-877-435-9849



# Bungie's Halo: Reach completes the franchise

By Chris Stone

After spending numerous hours with the campaign, and another multi-hour set with the multiplayer, it's already clear that for their swan song for the Halo franchise, the developers at Bungie have crafted a fine sendoff in Halo: Reach.

One of Reach's immediate improvements is its storytelling. The Halo trilogy's story has been impeded by both inconsistency (a curious mix of either over-explaining or confusing dialogue), and by becoming a fan-only affair overflowing with series technobabble. Reach rectifies this "insider" feel by telling a broader, more accessible story that doesn't require knowing tons of Halo terminology beforehand.

The single player campaign focuses on Noble Team -- a special operations team composed of Spartans -- and the missions it undertakes. You control the team's newest member, Noble Six, as the Team is tasked with investigating what happened at a downed communication outpost.

Without spoiling anything further, the campaign ultimately unfolds into a grand re-telling of the Battle of Thermopylae, but portrayed from a gritty, ground-level perspective across multiple missions like Band of Brothers, and all done with typical Halo flourish. It's about elite warriors (interestingly, Spartans in both stories) and the sacrifices they make during their last stand against insurmountable odds, and the lasting impact their actions impress upon the rest of the series.

As noted earlier, with a more straightforward story and less reliance on Halo jargon, the storytelling is generally improved from previous Halo

games. Only minor quibbles interfere with Bungie's tale-telling. Having a main cast of six characters within Noble Team, plus numerous others encountered within the campaign, doesn't leave much time for character development or interaction. The large cast ends up not being about a group, but more about a couple of characters and a lot of generic archetypes.

Even though you often change times, locations, and objectives based on mission, you're not given quite enough info for where or why you might be where you are. Sometimes, vital information such as why you can pilot an experimental spacecraft simply gets dumped into terse expository dialogue without warning. Still, even with these minor stumbles, Reach is a significant improvement from Bungie's previous narratives.

But how does it actually play? It's in the flow and design of combat that Reach demonstrates what Bungie has learned in crafting the Halo trilogy plus Halo 3: ODST. Instead of adding radically new features, Bungie opts to take the better elements of Halo combat, and tweak it. The Battle Rifle's rate of fire gets toned down to become the Designated Marksman Rifle. The Magnum gets its scope back. Single-use Equipment from Halo 3 turns into reusable and swappable Armor Abilities for Reach. Noble Six's survivability lies between the extreme supersoldier that is Master Chief from the main Halo trilogy, and the glass cannon that is The Rookie from ODST.

It's this sort of cherry picking and then tweaking the best parts of previous games, t h a t

**Factoid:** Microsoft has sold over \$200 million worth of Halo Reach in the first 24 hours. The all-time best selling game is Wii Play with over \$1.2 billion in sales world-wide.

enhances Reach's "combat sandbox" the most. At any one moment, you're given a set of tools (weapons, abilities, vehicles, even friendly A.I. soldiers), straightforward objectives, and free reign on tactical approach. Guard the teammate hacking the door open. Make your way to the extraction point. Push the button inside the well-guarded room. So to achieve those, do you then use Active Camouflage plus long-range weapons to sneak about and pick off your foes? Do you distract with the Hologram, and then sneak up from behind to pull off an Assassination (a special melee takedown complete with amazing animation)? Or do you close the distance and rely on grenades and assault rifle fire to soften foes before delivering a smackdown via melee? Combat in Reach stops being linear and allows for some player creativity in tactics.

It doesn't matter how good the tools are if you use them on boring enemies. The Covenant have been tuned and refined to provide even more challenge than in previous games. Slow lumbering Hunters now turn ferociously while being more aggressive with using their own shields and cannons. Elites use Armor Abilities like Jetpack, Armor Lock, and Evade with surprising skill. Skimishers, the "new" species of Covenant, use their obscene speed and Hologram ability in devious ways. As a whole, Covenant forces are much better about using flanking and support tactics as a group. Even easy-to-kill

Grunts get used in interesting ways.

Already on Heroic difficulty, this interplay of player tools versus crafty combat A.I. results in a harsh, but fair experience. While I died frequently during the campaign, I was usually frustrated more with myself than the game. While there are still some outright unfair and cheap moments (mostly in the "how did that Grunt manage to nail me right in the face with his plasma grenade") along with some difficulty spikes (I will forever hate the room of three Zealot Elites and two Spec-Ops Grunts), the overall game maintains a great balance. Whenever I'm outright stuck, it takes a change of tactics rather than simple luck for me to persevere through. I'm simply afraid of what Legendary difficulty is going to feel like as a result.

The combat and story result in one of the finer campaigns from Bungie. While in the past, each Halo has had a reputed lowpoint (The Library in Halo, Sacred Icon in Halo 2, Cortana in Halo 3, Data Hive in ODST), that doesn't really exist in Reach. Sure, some missions aren't quite as good as others, but when I look through the Reach mission list, I don't immediately groan on any of the mission names. Instead, I remember highlights both epic and amusing:

Watching UNSC frigates and Longswords come in as air support. Strapping into a Sabre and launching into space.

I speak the most about campaign simply because I've had fewer hours worth of jumping around various multiplayer matches. Most of my multiplayer experience has been in a LAN setting and any "real" assessment of Halo multiplayer requires hundreds, not handfuls, of

A.I., while the other team plays as Elites whose job is to prevent the Spartans from scoring. The Spartan team has to tactically adapt between taking on A.I. and other players, while the Elite team is basically figuring out how to grief the Spartans.

Though, what I dig most about multiplayer overall is, oddly enough, the menus -- because it's these menus that let me tweak a staggering



hours of play. I didn't even get to touch Forge World itself. At least, based on the small sample I've had, while I dabbled in Halo multiplayer in the past and moved on, I can see myself playing it more often for Reach. The fact that Reach now adds credits for multiplayer performance and for completing specific Daily and Weekly Challenges that you can then spend on armor pieces to customize your character visually probably feeds that "gotta play multiplayer" feeling as well.

Reach comes with a whole suite of tried-and-true modes ranging from Slayer (Deathmatch) to Headhunter (a mode where kills become skulls that must be picked up and dropped off at a goal) to Invasion (an objective mode divided into phases where Spartans try to blow up a base that Elites are defending). Out of all of these, I personally dig the improved Firefight the most. It's a nice way to have pure human-versus-A.I. combat without the story trappings of the campaign, and everything from level design to network stability is better compared to ODST. I particularly like Versus Firefight: one team still plays as Spartans fighting waves of Covenant

array of variables to make custom and crazy multiplayer variants. Such as a Firefight mode against ultra-fast Skirmishers using only Magnums or DMRs (a test of precision aim against a fast-moving target). If somehow, the stock of standard Bungie offerings of co-op and playlists bores you, then you can start making your own weird multiplayer modes instead.

Even excusing the minor flaws such as slight storytelling or framerate issues, is it safe to call Halo: Reach the best Halo game ever? It's way too early to declare as such -- this is the type of proclamation best saved for years of study and hindsight, rather than in the immediate glow of a fresh release. But after seeing the perfect last shot of the campaign (in fact, it's so spot-on, that Bungie community director Brian Jarrard confirms that, unlike previous titles, there's no additional cinematic or end-scene for finishing on Legendary difficulty -- everyone sees the same last scene), and playing round after round of multiplayer, I can say that while I admire and respect every previous Halo title, Reach is the Halo that I respect the most.

## Spot the Differences

See page 21 for the answers.





# 1980 TATE AGGIES STATE CHAMPS RETURN



Mazie Belton

By Maria Deamer

It was an evening of handshakes and hugs, cheerleaders and football players from 1980 reconnected and shared memories prior to Friday night's game.

Russell Ward played center for the Tate Aggie's football team and was one of the starting line ups for the Championship game in 1980. Richard Ward, Russell Ward's father, remembered Russell coming home one night before the game "looking pale" because he found out he was on the starting line up for the big

game. His father recalls Russell being up against two guards that weighted about 250 lbs each. "I remember when Russell snapped that ball back they carried him back, and I thought they killed him". It was 3 downs and kick and when Russell went to the sidelines, the offense coach told him, "what you want to do is get them low. What I mean is take them out!". His father excited said that the next time Russell snapped the ball, "he sat them both back!". "It was forward the rest of the game." said Mr. Ward.



Richard Ward



Terry Trawick played on the Tate Football team. During one practice the dreaded event happened for any athlete, he broke his leg. This prevented him from playing the year Tate won the Championship. Even though he didn't play his team members always made him feel like he was a part of the team. He was so honored to be invited to this evenings celebration. Mr. Trawick said, "We were such a close unit. We were like brothers". He continued to say "this is a real special moment" being here tonight.



Terry Trawick

**Factoid:** The Tate Aggies are ranked 68th in Florida and 1046th nation-wide as of September 23, 2010.

# AGGIES WIN 41-33 OVER CRESTVIEW

Written by Alan Deamer

As hundreds of fans and local residents arrived for the big game at Tate high school, eve-



ryone was in good spirits and enjoying the great weather. Many bumping into old school friends from way back. It was a great evening for socializing as well as watching a great game of football. The atmosphere was electric with cameras flashing and the Aggies cheer squad running around covered in paint getting the crowd cheering and shouting for their Aggies. They were all serious fans ready to support the Aggies. This was a big night as it was also the 30 year reunion for Tates 1980 State Championship Team. As the atmosphere was building the Tate Showband

of the South entered the stadium, looking immaculate as always and sounding incredible. People continued pouring into the stadium and filling the bleachers. The excitement and anticipation of the game was building.

The football players and cheerleaders from 1980 took at trip down memory lane when they entered onto the field and were introduced prior to the kick off. They all looked so happy and were obviously excited

to be around old friends that they had shared great memories with at Tate. This was a big night for them all. Minutes later out came the Tate Aggies, the crowd roared, what an event this was. Everybody silenced for the National Anthem, the band was playing and sounded first class. They didn't miss a note. Mr. Hooten, the band director must have been very proud, what a great job he has done over the years. It is no wonder they have won the awards they have.

The Crestview Bulldogs were on the field warming up,

they were ready, focused and looked ready for the challenge. The Aggies came out strong in



the first and second quarter and showed no remorse, they were definitely on a mission. The Aggies were organized and knew their place, at home on there own turf, with a monster crowd backing them. It was a tough game from start to finish. The bulldogs were no pushovers and did not give up. They are a strong team but Friday was not their night. The Aggies dominated the game to give us a fantastic win, 41-33. Let's hope they can continue their success. Next game is Pace September 24th away, Catholic October 1st away and then Pine Forest October 8th away.



## Top Selling Books

### Amazon.com

The below stats were compiled from amazon.com for 17 September, 2010.

	Book Title	Author
1.	Freedom: A Novel (Op-rah's Book Club)	Jonathan Franzen
2.	Freedom: A Novel	Jonathan Franzen
3.	The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest	Stieg Larsson
4.	The Lost Dogs: Michael Vick's Dogs and their Tale of Rescue and Redemption	Jim Gorant
5.	The Grand Design	Stephen Hawking
6.	The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo	Stieg Larsson
7.	Safe Haven	Nicholas Sparks
8.	Mockingjay (The Final Book of The Hunger Games)	Suzanne Collins
9.	The Girl Who Played with Fire	Stieg Larsson
10.	Fall of Giants (The Century Trilogy)	Ken Follett

## Top Selling E-Books

### Amazon.com

The below stats were compiled from amazon.com for 17 September, 2010.

	Book Title	Author
1.	Freedom: A Novel	Jonathan Franzen
2.	The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo	Stieg Larsson
3.	The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest	Stieg Larsson
4.	The Girl Who Played with Fire	Stieg Larsson
5.	The Big 5-OH!	Sandra Bricker
6.	Triple Exposure	Colleen Thompson
7.	Safe Haven	Nicholas Sparks
8.	A Scattered Life	Karen McQuestion
9.	Wicked Appetite	Janet Evanovich
10.	Mockingjay	Suzanne Collins



# MIRACLES CAN AND DO HAPPEN, JUST ASK THESE KIDS

Miracle League of Pensacola started their fall season on Saturday September 18. Barry Salvage from the San Francisco Giants made a guest appearance on Saturday signing autographs and taking photos with the children. The baseball league started with 23 players and today has 185 and is open to all ages, their youngest player is 2 years old and the oldest is 66. The league is open to anyone from any county. Players



Ana Nicole Ziel and her dad Joseph Ziel

come from all over Santa Rosa, Milton, Pace, Jay, Foley, Fairhope and Atmore. The Miracle League of Pensacola is a nonprofit organization that is funded by local businesses either through team sponsorships or donations to the organization. The Rotary Club is currently working on an additional multipurpose field for other sports i.e. tennis, shuffleboard, soccer.

Every baseball player has a buddy. "Angels in the outfield" is what is printed on the shirts. Larry Thompson, the founder of Miracle League of Pensacola commented, "we really have angels that come up here and work with these kids." Every child hits and scores and they accept any child with any disability. There is no strike zone, there are no strike outs. Every child gets a home run ball. The last batter in each game gets a ball to take home. "We cheer for every child. Every game ends in a tie. It's not about winning. It's about playing. This is home",



Kids enjoying a baseball game sponsored by the Miracle League

Shirley Godwin said who is the Assistant League Commissioner.

Ms. Godwin said this about the Miracle League, "It's a heartfelt mission. We really feel that it is important that people understand that our players are capable of doing a lot more than what people give them credit for and we want to give them that opportunity."

Ms. Godwin has a special needs child, Rebecca Godwin. She indicated that

Rebecca at first didn't want to play because she would say "I can't play, I can't do it". Rebecca decided to give it a try and has now been playing for six years. She is now hitting without a tee and her goal this year is to hit a home run. Rebecca's favorite thing about baseball is showing off to the crowd. Ms. Godwin stated that she

has "blossomed as a person from this park". She tells the special needs children that she works with that "You don't have to be a doctor, you don't have to be a lawyer, and you don't have to make a lot of money. What you have to do is do what you do, to the best of your ability and be proud of what you do". She continued to say, "Special needs people teach you a lot about love if you let them in. If you don't let them in it is your loss".

Ms. Godwin's husband, Tim Godwin who is the Lead Commissioner for the League, started out coaching and two years ago received a diagnosis of leukemia. He is 18 months can-

cer free and "this is what got him going". They would drive to the field and walk and kids and families would tape the games so he could watch them every afternoon.

Ms. Godwin quoted her husband saying, "This is what inspired me to try. I have an opportunity to get better and some of these kids don't have that opportunity so if they can fight every day of their lives I can fight right now."

Ms. Godwin stated, "We owe this whole park and our vision to Donna and Larry for taking something that was so painful and turning it to a blessing for everybody else".

The League was founded by Donna and Larry Thompson in 2002 after losing their youngest son in a tragic car accident in 1994. After the accident Larry and his wife found them-

selves not knowing what to do. Larry wasn't sleeping and his wife Donna told him that they needed to find something to do. One night they were watching a show on TV about a man trying to build a rubber baseball field. After a trip to Georgia to learn more, they decided that they wanted to build a baseball field made out of rubber for special needs children. He called Packy Mitchell, a good friend of Larry's and also the Director of Building & Grounds for the Miracle League, and told him he wanted to build a baseball field for special needs children and without hesitation Packy said "I'm in". Ford Motor Company



Larry Thompson

worked with them to provide them with the type of rubber for the field. The entire park contains about 500,000 lbs of rubber. Mitchell Homes

Miracle League Park is located at 555 East Nine Mile Road in Pensacola.

Mr. Thompson recalled one particular child who "walks because of this park" he said. "When you get a letter from a doctor telling you that this child walks because of what you did, it's worth everything. That one statement

is worth all the county effort and everything else", Mr. Thompson commented. His plans at the beginning were to build two fields, a concession stand and a playground and then leave. Filling with tears he then said, "But you ride by here at night and you see the lights on and it tears me up because it's a dream and you see it



Rebecca Godwin

come true and you did it with a purpose in mind and I wanted our son Brad to know he is missed".

Larry recalled speaking with a woman who was feeding her 23 year old child with special needs and he asked her what her best memory was and she said, "The day she was born".

It struck Mr. Thompson that she didn't say a marriage or a prom or some other memory other than the day she was born. He recognized a need to create an opportunity for these children and the parents of these children to add to their memory books for years and years.

"My son loved baseball and he also

loved special needs kids", Larry stated. John is friend of the Thompson family who has special

This program has built confidence and muscles for many children. He told the story of the first game. On the Wednesday following the first game he received a phone call from a parent. The mother was so emotional that she handed the phone to her husband. The husband told Mr. Thompson that they have something that they thought they would never have. Their other 2 children play baseball on the other field of the park and that day they received pictures with three kids in baseball uniforms. This is because the Miracle League provided their child with special



Billy Sadler, relief pitcher for the San Francisco Giants.

needs the opportunity to play baseball like their other two children. Another story that Mr. Thompson shared was when he received a phone call from a gentleman that introduced himself as Cal Rip-

ton Jr. Questioning whether this really was Cal Ripton Jr. or not, Mr. Thompson continued to speak with the gentleman about the League. Mr. Ripton stated his support of the League's mission to Mr. Thompson. They hung up the phone and Larry didn't think much more about it until a box arrived at his home containing a helmet signed by Cal Ripton Jr. Mr. Thompson said Brad really liked Cal Ripton Jr. This gesture meant a great deal to the Thompson family.

The Board of Directors are all volunteers and some have special needs children and some do not. Larry is so gracious for how the community has come together to help fund the program from monetary donations, to people giving their time volunteering, to products and services donated from several local businesses. To name a few Bill Maine, Gulf Winds Credit Union, Mitchell Homes, Pensacola Pelicans, Pensacola Christian College, Marine Corps and several others. "It's all the names you see, all the people behind the scenes, I just happen to be the guy with an idea", Mr. Thompson commented.

"The commitment out of people that has helped us is what is really remarkable and it makes you proud to live in Pensacola", said Mr. Thompson. To learn more about this program visit them at [www.miracleleaguepensacola.org](http://www.miracleleaguepensacola.org).

## AUCTION FOR PRO-BASEBALL SIGNED BALL

After Maria came back from this event and having more understanding about this organization, and telling me the stories she had heard, it touched my heart and hers. After seeing the photos of the children, parents and the volunteers all coming together for this good cause and I came up with a way that we could give back to this organization. Maria was very kindly given a baseball by the founder of the organization, Larry Thompson, with the Miracle League of Pensacola logo on one side and personally signed by Billy Sadler. Billy who played for the San Francisco Giants made a guest appearance for the children on Saturday September 18. Both of us wanting very much to keep this autographed baseball, decided the

league could benefit from the proceeds if we were to hold an auction for the baseball. So here it is this signed baseball is up for auction and ALL proceeds will go to the league. Bidding will



Up for auction is a baseball signed by Billy Sadler of the San Francisco Giants

start at \$50 and the auction will end on October 29 at 5:00 pm. Please submit your full name and phone number with the amount of your bid. This will be a blind bid auction. Updates will be provided in the next 2 issues, only disclosing the highest bid amount to date, to give you a second chance. So please dig deep, remember all proceeds go to this great organization. I will publish the winning bidder and do a story on the winner. So watch out for the fourth issue. If you would like to remain anonymous, that is not a problem, I will only disclose the amount that the baseball sold for. Place your bids at [auction@citizensmessenger.com](mailto:auction@citizensmessenger.com) or send to The Citizens Messenger PO Box 809 Cantonment, FL 32533. Happy bidding.

## Top Songs September 17

The below stats were compiled from the iTunes and are for the date of 17 September, 2010.

	Song	Artist
1.	Only Girl	Rihanna
2.	Just the Way You Are	Bruno Mars
3.	DJ Got Us Fallin' In Love	Usher
4.	Just a Dream	Nelly
5.	Teenage Dream	Katy Perry
6.	Like a G6	Far East Move..
7.	Club Can't Handle Me	Flo Rida
8.	Dynamite	Taio Cruz
9.	Love the Way You Lie	Eminem
10.	I Like It	Enrique Iglesias

## Top Albums Sept. 17

The below stats were compiled from the iTunes and are for the date of 17 September, 2010.

	Song	Artist
1.	A Thousand Suns (DE)	Linkin Park
2.	Passion, Pain & Pleas...	Trey Songz
3.	The Guitar Song	Jamey Johnson
4.	A Thousand Suns	Linkin Park
5.	Recovery (DE)	Eminem
6.	Kaleidoscope Heart	Sara Bareilles
7.	Come Around Sundown	Kings of Leon
8.	Flamingo	Brandon Flowers
9.	Lungs	Florence + The...
10.	Hurley (DE)	Weezer

## Top Music Videos

## September 17

The below stats were compiled from the iTunes and are for the date of 17 September, 2010.

	Song	Artist
1.	Love the Way You Lie	Eminem
2.	Mine	Taylor Swift
3.	Bottoms Up	Trey Songz
4.	A Year Without Rain	Selena Gomez...
5.	Not Afraid	Eminem
6.	The Boys of Fall	Kenny Chesney
7.	DJ Got Us Fallin' In L...	Usher
8.	The Catalyst	Linkin Park
9.	Just the Way You Are	Bruno Mars
10.	California Gurls	Katy Perry



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**Statistic:** The latest data shows that the United States has over 240 million people with internet access. Only 12.2% of world wide users.

I WANT MY... I WANT MY NET TV - (Guitar Solo)

By: Chris Stone

The promise of television program-  
ming through our Inter-  
net connection has been  
around for well over 5 years  
now. So, where is it? The majority of Americans  
get their fix for their favorite programs through  
either a cable company or a satellite TV pro-  
vider. Until the advent of the Internet we have  
had to put up with paying more money than we  
want to pay for more channels and shows that  
we will never watch.

My idea of a modern TV experience  
is to be able to watch the episodes of the shows  
I want, when I want, where and on what I want.  
Oh and for a fair price. This is asking for a lot,  
but finally there is a transport mechanism that  
can deliver on this utopia. Is it time to finally  
revolutionize television?

Many compa-  
nies have tried to bring  
this ultimate experience  
to the market. So far,  
all have failed in one  
way or another. There  
have been major break-  
throughs with TIVO,  
WebTV, Playstation 3,  
and XBOX 360, but none  
have solved the complete  
puzzle.

I would argue  
that all major forms of  
mainstream entertain-  
ment through the mil-  
lennia have two things in common. Books,  
newspapers, magazines, radio, television, and  
the Internet all have had the medium they are  
delivered be independent of the content. The  
promise of Internet TV tries to take a new me-  
dium that has had its own unique independent  
content and somehow retrofit a dated one way  
content model onto it. The medium providers  
and the contents providers are too tightly in-  
tegrated when it comes to television. Neither  
parties wants to break the chain and go towards  
the Internet TV model that we are inevitably

moving towards. It doesn't matter if they don't  
play because the Internet is moving on and leav-  
ing them behind day by day. The key is that the  
medium companies and content providers don't  
want to loose their hold over the consumer, thus  
their profits.

We can already see that there are  
content companies popping up all over the In-  
ternet and are doing very well. Companies like  
Revision3 and the TWiT network have grown  
by leaps and bounds while providing extremely  
targeted content to their viewers. Some of the

shows have larger viewership's than others with  
"This Week in Tech" and "Diggnation" pulling in  
somewhere between half a million and a million  
users every week. These companies are pulling  
in these numbers without any mainstream ad-  
vertising or massive content distribution deals.  
This is why the old school TV companies are  
scared.

How do we solve these problems? It  
is relatively easy. First we need to have enough  
bandwidth to reach the most people possible.  
This is where other parts of the world such as



Europe and Asia beats  
us badly. This is all  
about the medium. Let  
the Internet providers  
fight it out over price  
and bandwidth and we  
will get the speeds we  
need at competitive prices.

The second problem is the platform.  
Currently we don't have an independent uni-  
fied platform. Who you get your TV experi-  
ence with determines what content you have  
access to. You want NFL pass? You can't go  
with a cable company for example. We need a  
unified platform that all content providers can  
run on. I envision something similar to an Ap-  
pleTV that has outputs for all different types of  
TV's. This AppleTV will have selectable apps  
that run on it. These apps are easily creatable  
using AppleTV guidelines, but it's up to the  
content providers to implement how and what  
they want. I could see a home screen on your

TV that would have  
buttons you can select  
using a remote or iOS  
device (iPhone, iPod  
Touch, iPad). The app  
you select will launch  
and could encompass  
a unique interface ex-  
perience for ABC, Net-  
flix, HBO, MTV, and  
so many more content  
providers. Then you

just enjoy your show, but with the internet con-  
nection you could interact with the app you are  
in and even others who are viewing the same  
show you are.

If this unified platform provides a powerful way  
to search content within the apps and each app  
can use a standardized billing system within it,  
then this will be a game changer. So, now that  
I've broken down what we want and how to get  
it, Apple? Google? Someone? Please make it  
happen.

The reference in the title comes from  
the song "Money for Nothing" from Dire Straits.  
Google it.



Recipe: Bread Pudding w/ Whiskey Sauce

By James A Bennett, Jr.

Most preps contain the same basic ingredients. But, there will forever be a chef who will give the dessert “his” special touch. So, here are the basics along with my special touch.

PROCEDURE FOR PUDDING:

Cut fresh bread into ½ inch slices and put them into a large, brown paper bag for several days until they become stale and hard. Melt butter, but do not brown the butter, and “paint” each slice of bread on one side. Soften raisins in warm bourbon or rum. Cut each slice into 6 pieces and layer bread and

raisins in large baking dish. Set aside. In a large bowl mix sugar, eggs, milks, extracts and nutmeg with an electric beater. Taste and adjust flavor extracts and spices. Taste again. Pour custard over bread and raisins to cover. Set aside for mixture to full soak into bread. Add more as needed to get a real wet mix, but not a runny custard. Scatter a bit of brown sugar (light or dark) atop total prep. Heat oven to 350 deg. and bake until top begins to brown then cover prep. with aluminium foil to allow completion of cooking.



Monitor prep. at intervals with a flat knife to see if custard is cooked. If moist and without visible custard, pudding is done. Remove, cool a few minutes and serve.

INGREDIENTS FOR PUDDING

- 1 loaf of stale Italian bread (French bread is acceptable)
- 1 qt. half & half milk or your choice of milk
- 1 can condensed milk
- 1 stick of real butter
- 4 eggs beaten
- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar (more if desired)
- 1 Tbs. ground nutmeg (more if desired after tasting)
- 1 Tbs. pure vanilla
- 1 tsp. almond extract
- ½ box dark raisins

PROCEDURE FOR SAUCE:

Cream butter and sugar over med/low heat until butter is absorbed. Remove from heat and blend in egg yolks. Pour in the bourbon and stir. Sauce will thicken as it cools.

INGREDIENTS FOR WHISKEY SAUCE:

- 1 stick of butter
- 1 ½ cup powered sugar
- 2 egg yolks beaten
- ½ cup of bourbon or rum or residual from raisins

POEM TIME

THINGS  
BY JAMES A. BENNETT, JR.  
THINGS! THINGS! THINGS!  
THINGS ARE HERE, THERE  
AND EVERYWHERE.  
THINGS ARE ABOVE US  
BELOW AND  
ON BOTH SIDES OF US.  
THINGS OF  
EARTH, WIND AND SKY  
THAT WE SEE,  
TASTE, HEAR, SMELL,  
FEEL AND EVEN  
IMAGINE.  
COULD THERE BE A PLACE  
WITHOUT THINGS  
WHERE WE WILL NEVER  
BE WITH THINGS?  
WE DO WITHOUT THINGS.  
WE ARE DELIGHTED BY THINGS.  
WE SCREW UP THINGS  
BY DOING WRONG THINGS.  
WE OFFER EXCUSES  
WHEN HIDING THINGS.  
WE BUY THINGS, SELL THINGS,  
WRECK THINGS.  
WHAT IS YOUR THING?  
IS IT AKIN TO  
MY THING?  
WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU  
DO YOUR "THANG"?  
MS. JONES HAS HER "THANG"  
GOING ON  
WITH BILLY PAUL...  
BE MS. JONES;  
I CAN BE BILLY PAUL.  
THINGS! THINGS! THINGS!  
MY GOODNESS!  
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**Factoid:** The overall world-wide consumption of wine in 2008 was more than 6.4 million gallons with France leading the way drinking 850,000 gallons a year.

Wine Review: Moscato d'Italia - Sweet and Delicious

By Chris Stone

Moscato d'Italia is a sublime and delicate dessert wine, which should be consumed at its freshest and most youthful. Its very low level of alcohol makes it particularly soft on the palate, and especially gentle for consumption after dinner, when wines of greater alcoholic content have typically been consumed beforehand.

The nose (smell) of this wine is intoxicating. It smells slightly creamy with strong notes of pineapple and other tropical fruits. I also picked up a slight marshmallow over the fire smell. This is probably where some of the creaminess came from. I will also say that the nose shows quite a large amount of sugar and that isn't a bad thing. Now it is time to try the wine.

The initial attack on the palate is bursting with tropical fruit flavors. Pineapple, guava, and star fruit dominate. I also pick up a little granny smith apple. Then the sugar hits and the thickness of this wine. I almost feel like I need to chew it. I love the slight carbonation in this bottle. Moscato is normally known for some frizzante action. The mid palate is decent, but for the most part just transitions the strong sweet fruit towards a creamy finish. This isn't the most complex wine out there, but for eleven dollars I would say it is a quite a bargain.

The packaging is fantastic and really

gets across the fact this wine is made in Italy. I love the artwork on the front and the back label doesn't disappoint with quite a lot of interesting information. It does have a cork, so for those of you wanting or used to a screw top, you will need to get out the cork screw.

I think this fine is well made and

definitely aimed at a specific audience. The alcohol level is very low for most wines and the extreme sweetness factor would be great for introducing first time wine drinkers or for a date night.

Pros: Great Fruit, Well made, Very approachable

Easy to drink, Great price  
Cons: Somewhat one dimensional flavors, Slightly too thick. a little too sweet

Overall I would score it: **86 1/2 out of 100**



A really good sweet wine from Italy. Love that label artwork.



The back label tells you more than you need to know from a wine. I would rather have more than less however.

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# Opinions

## Peppy's Pointers



This opinion column will be a feature in every edition of the Citizens Messenger. Here is Peppy's background.

S. Peppy Bennett is originally from New Orleans, Louisiana and a current resident of South Florida. Peppy is a Legal Advocate for dependent children. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies from the school of Theology & Ministry at St. Thomas University and a certification in Biblical Scholarship. Ms. Bennett is a commissioned officer with the State of Florida through the Florida Notary Commission, a certified Guardian Ad-Litem, Secondary Education Tutor and Adult Literacy Educator. A constant advocate for dependent children Peppy has written formal essays on the connection between faith-based living and social awareness and she is a frequent guest speaker on both advocacy and social justice.

Now without further waiting, here is Peppy Bennett's first column with the Citizens Messenger.

### Can A Blog Teach My Child Responsibility?

By S. "Peppy" Bennett

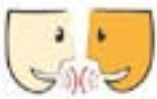
Blogging, a social media tool utilized by adults and professionals alike can be a fun learning tool to enhance your preteens writing skills while teaching them about Internet safety and responsibility. There are a few things to consider as not all blogger sites are created equal. Believe

[Cited: Legal Advocate Clinic archives with adaptations from Create Your Own: Blog; Hussey]



## Advice Corner

Email me your questions at [advicecorner@citizensmessenger.com](mailto:advicecorner@citizensmessenger.com)



Dear AC: My family and I live in an area that is affected by floods and hurricanes. How do I stay prepared and ready for possible threatening weather conditions without making my children afraid of where they live? ...Blame It On The Rain

Dear BIOTR: It is important to be prepared for imminent conditions that may cause damage to your home and compromise the safety of your family. Explain to your family members the necessity for readiness plans that include evacuation routes and safety preparations. Depending on the age of your children, you can involve them in designing kits and planning routes for evacuation. The language and detail of information should be relevant to their age. With the appropriate vocabulary and content, children will understand the need for preparedness while feeling included in the process. Have discussions about what will be done, where the family will go, and what supplies will be taken. Log onto [www.fema.gov/kids](http://www.fema.gov/kids) for free activity books to prepare ages 4-11 for a disaster. Remember this from Loesje, "You do not have to be a hurricane, to turn things around"

Dear AC: Sometimes my daughter, who is living on her own, calls me on the phone and I can tell by her voice that something is awry. It is in the way she hesitates, her tone, or her voice level says more than her words. I initially want to say, "What's wrong? What's happened? How can I help?" However, in the past when I have responded with these questions, she becomes defensive and will say, "Why does something always have to be wrong for me to call?" How do I respond without showing alarm or panic and keep the lines of communication open? ... Love On The Telephone

Dear LOTT: A parent knows when their son/daughter (whether they are 5 or 55) is having a bad day, feeling out of sorts, or needing to share some sad news by their voice inflection or a look in their eye. Communicating with your adult daughter can be tricky. When she talks to you, you probably think that she wants you to give her advice about what to do. However, the opposite may be the truth. She may really want you to "JUST" listen. Perhaps she wants to share things with someone she trusts; someone who

understands her.

The next time she calls, try listening with a different purpose. Instead of listening long enough to know what is going on and then offering suggestions or advice, listen to what is being said with an open heart. A heart that suspends judgment about the story she is telling. This kind of listening creates a space where right and wrong is replaced with a transmission of how much you care about listening to her. This level of listening will help you stay out of the emotional drama of the situation and provide a space where she can articulate what is happening for her. It also helps her see how she can generate ideas to resolve problems in her life. Her solutions may not be the ones you would suggest, nevertheless they came from her and she will be more likely to implement them. And when she asks you for advice, remember what Harry S. Truman said," I have found the best way to give advice to your children is to find out what they want and then advise them to do it."

Dear AC: I am a parent of a third grade student enrolled in a public school. My child likes the teacher, but I do not. When I volunteer at the school, I often hear the teacher being harsh to the children. This teacher picks on this one kid in particular and demeans her in front of other children. I do not want to get my child in trouble. I worry that the teacher will take it out on my child. Should I say something to the principal? ...Teacher, Leave Those Kids Alone

Dear TLTKA: Yes! Talk to the principal and share what you have seen and heard. If the teacher is acting this way when you are around, what must be going on when you are not there! You may want to think of finding a new teacher for your child. Remember what Nelson Mandela said, "Safety and security don't just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear."

Advice Corner is written by Sharon K. Foster, Ph.D. Dr. Foster works as an advocate for parents & children in Scottsdale, Arizona. Send your questions about family, kids, school, or life to Dr. Foster today!

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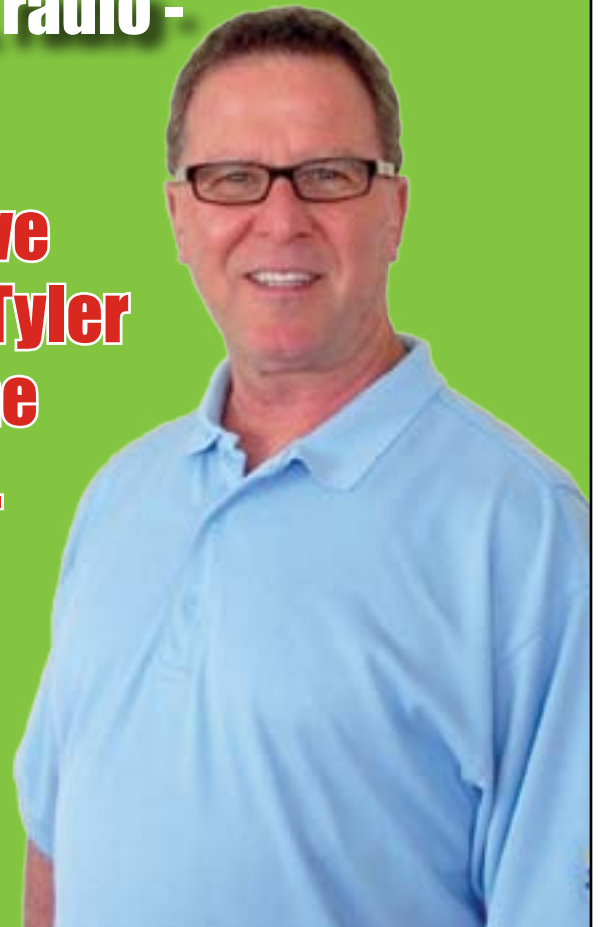


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